HOUSE RESOLUTION 10 of the First Extraordinary Session By Cooper B

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Coach Steverson Bratcher and the 1998-1999 George Washington Carver High School boys' basketball team on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class AA State Championship.

WHEREAS, the 1998-1999 George Washington Carver High School boys' basketball team has firmly carved a permanent place of honor for themselves in the athletic history of Tennessee and their fine school by winning the prestigious Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class AA State Championship; and

WHEREAS, in the West Sectional Tournament played at historic Oman Arena in Jackson, Carver finished runner-up, defeating rival Booker T. Washington 59-57; and

WHEREAS, in the first game of the TSSAA Class AA State Tournament held March 19, 1999, at the Murphy Center, in Murfreesboro, the Cobras defeated Chattanooga Tyner corralling the Rams by an impressive 59-45 score; and

WHEREAS, in the second game, Carver High tamed the Tigers from Marshall County 55-28; and

WHEREAS, the title game against traditional power Knoxville Austin-East was a titanic battle, as the Cobras stopped the highly touted Roadrunners just short of the coveted title 86-85 laying claim to the state crown; and

WHEREAS, Carver finished the season with a remarkable 30-8 overall record; and HOUSE RESOLUTION 7010

WHEREAS, highly regarded **Coach Steverson Bratcher**, who also serves as the school athletic director, and his capable **Assistant Coaches Freddrick Cotton**, **Edward Vaughn** and **Ben Daggett** have done an excellent job; and

WHEREAS, the team included: seniors, guard Robert Smith, forward Terrence
Saulsberry, forward Travis McFadgon, and guard Corey Jones; juniors, guard Tavares
Treadwell, guard Anthony Cabbage, guard Marcellas Dobbs, guard Jason Boyland, forward
Joshua West, and center Delvonta Smith; sophomores, guard Johnny Thompson, forward
Robert Lyons, and center Qyntell Woods; and freshman center Larr McNeal. Additional
players were: Frank Adair, Randy Brown, Adam Golden, Sherman Harper, Cody Moore,
and Leslie Smith; and

WHEREAS, our own state representative Joe Towns, a distinguished graduate of Carver, is especially proud of the success of the squad; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to salute this outstanding team for their accomplishments this season; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor
and commend Coach Steverson Bratcher and the 1998-1999 Carver High School boys'
basketball team on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class AA
State Tournament and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That 25 copies of this duly inscribed resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copies.

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